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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In the Office Action dated October 12, 2010, the Office requires an election of a single species. The Office identifies the following drawings as corresponding to various species: Figure 1, Figure 2, Figure 3, Figure 4, Figure 5, Figures 6-7, Figures 8-10 and 12, Figure 11, Figure 13, Figure 14, and Figure 15.

In response to the Office's requirement, Applicants hereby elect the species of Figures 8-10 and 12. Claims 1 and 3-23 read on the elected species of Figures 8-10 and 12. The Office recognizes claim 1 to be generic to the species' identified by the Office.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the non-clected subject matter and/or to receive consideration of claims to additional species as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.141, upon allowance of any claim that is generic.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorize payment of any such extension fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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